

Application No. 09/933,684
Attorney's Docket No.: 06816-073003

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Initially, the confusion in the claims is regretted. Claims 3, 14, 15 and 17 have been rewritten to cover the embodiment disclosed in the specification page 7, line 13 to page 8 line 29. This should obviate the rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph.

A notice on the merits is requested.

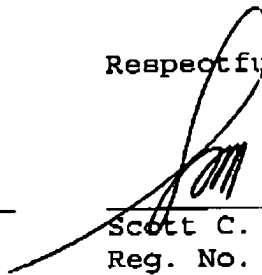
It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

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